Dear Mr. McFrownington,

I am under the impression that you are against the joining together of all of the British colonies in North America, into one new country. I truly feel you are overlooking some important factors.

First of all, the Americans have cancelled out “Reciprocity Agreement”. That means that they are charging us duty on our trade goods, making it worse for us to trade there. So who could we trade with? Why not join together, build a railroad, and trade with each other! Then we won’t need them! “Duty”…. What a funny word!

Also, there have been a lot of other reasons to join together too! Britain and the US have not been getting along very well (Did you hear about the Chesapeake incident?), and if the US and Britain go to war, then we may have to fight! Or even worse, since we are “British” they may fight here, destroying everything we have worked so hard for! This is not our fight! We should join up, and form our own country, so that neither side views us as British, and to make clear this isn’t our war!

There are a few example paragraphs…you might also want to talk about:

* Railroad….
* You can go into specifics about St Albans raid or Fenian Raids and how they make a bunch of tiny colonies unsafe, but if we join together, we are safer!
* You can and should maybe have one about Manifest Destiny, explain to Grumpers what it is, and why joining and forming a military would help stop it
* The Corn laws were repealed, we cant trade with Britain as well now (and it makes it feel like Britain isn’t looking out for us)… tell him why joining would make it possible to trade with one another